

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

**van Hook et al.**

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For: **Method for Providing Extended  
Precision in SIMD Vector  
Arithmetic Operations**

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**Petition To Withdraw from Issue Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)(2)  
For Consideration of a Request for Continued Examination**

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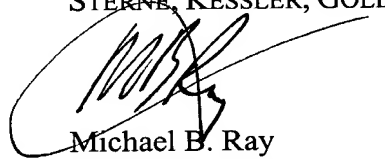
It is hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)(2) that the above-captioned application be withdrawn from issue for consideration of the accompanying request for continued examination in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114. Alternatively, if the Office can consider and act on the accompanying Request for Grant of Status Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a) from Parent Application in accordance with MPEP § 602.05(a) (the "Request") without withdrawing the present application from issue, Applicants hereby ask that the accompanying Request be considered and acted on without withdrawing the present application from issue.

It is believed that no extensions of time are necessary, other than those that are otherwise provided for herewith. However, if extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the above-captioned application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

This petition is accompanied by the required fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h)). The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

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